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MEMORANDUM FOR:	Director of Information Technology, DA
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	Director of Information Resources, DI
SUBJECT:	OIR Publication Procurement System Workstation

Configuration

1. OIR is undertaking an effort to fully automate CIA's Open-Source Procurement system. The project has been under development for the past year and a half and Phase I is scheduled to become operational at the end of August.

2. At the present time, all but two of the systems requirements have been satisfied. The two requirements yet to be satisfied are printing on a variety of pre-printed forms and generating dissemination mailing labels on printers co-located with the dissemination clerks. Detailed analysis by OIR's Computer Systems Analysts, in conjunction with OIT, recommend that the following configuration be established to effectively support the printing requirements:

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- a. IBM 3270 AT/PC's attached to the IBM mainframe with two logical units (LU's) per terminal. One way of implementing this is connecting to the IBM mainframe with coaxial cables and IBM 3174 controllers. When the PBX becomes operational, it could be used for the connection instead of the controllers.
- b. An Application Programmer's Interface (API), written by OIR programmers, will be used to transfer printer output from the mainframe to the PC.
- c. A PC program, written by OIT programmers, will control the printing of pre-printed forms and dissemination labels on each PC.

This configuration will use one host session to connect to IDMS/R and the other host session will work with the PC session to handle printing labels or special forms. Each dissemination clerk, initially 11, will need this configuration.

3. The recommendation to pass data to the PC using a secondary host session suggests that the IBM 3174 controllers should be configured to allow multiple logical units for a single 3270 AT. Since our application requires over 30 concurrent users, it is requested that two IBM 3174 controllers be installed in GE47 and configured to support two host sessions for each 3270 AT. This configuration will support 32 concurrent users. That is 16 workstations per 3174, with two logical units per connection.

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4. OIR is willing to fund all expenses for this configuration in order to facilitate timely implementation. OIR has already ordered its initial 11 3270 AT's and anticipates installing them by 20 August. At this time, the connection to the IBM mainframe should be available.

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for technical information re	egarding our requirements.	
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